

Los Angeles Ontario International Airport

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Owned by Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA), an agency within the city of Los Angeles, Ontario International Airport (ONT) is located in Ontario within San Bernardino County, around 35 miles east of downtown Los Angeles. ONT is the main cargo airport in District 8, which encompasses the counties of San Bernardino and Riverside and is the third largest airport in Southern California behind Los Angeles International (LAX) and John Wayne/Orange (SNA).

OPERATIONS

Ontario International handles many types of domestic and international cargo during its 24 hour/7 day a week operation. Promoting cargo operations at ONT is consistent with LAWA's goals to provide additional air cargo capacity in the region to accommodate cargo demand that cannot be met by LAX. Although exempt from curfews, noise management procedures are in effect.

FACILITIES AND SERVICES

- A former Lockheed aircraft hangar was recently re-purposed into an air cargo operations facility, now accommodating tenants with office space, utilities, a truck loading dock, and roll up doors.
- A wide network of freight forwarders serves ONT.
- Customs services are available on-site.
- United Parcel Service (UPS), the largest airfreight carrier at ONT, handles more than 70 percent of the airport's cargo. ONT is UPS' West Coast international hub and gateway with China, as well as a link with its global hub in Louisville, Kentucky.
- Other major freight carriers that serve ONT include Federal Express (FedEx), Ameriflight, and Empire Airways.



AIRPORT TRADE CHARACTERISTICS

- Southern California region air cargo is expected to triple over the next 25 years.
- Having two runways over 10,000 feet long, ONT is well situated to be a future airfreight center for Pacific Rim and European activity.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK TRUCKING

Primary North-South Routes

I-15, I-215, and SR 83

Primary East-West Routes

I-10 and SR 60

From ONT, nearby connections with both north/south and east/west transcontinental routes exist. Nearly all ONT air freight is transported by commercial vehicles.

Commercial trucks over 5 tons are prohibited in the City of Upland from Baseline Road at 16th Street (post mile 13.5) to 19th Street (post mile 14.2).

SEAPORTS AND RAIL LINE ACCESS

- ONT is located about 50 miles from both the Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbors (Ports of San Pedro Bay), which in 2009, handled 6.7 million twenty-foot equivalent units (TEU).
- Port of Los Angeles, Southern California's gateway to international commerce, is known for its record-breaking cargo operations and groundbreaking environmental initiatives
- The Port of Long Beach, located just south of LAX, is the twelfth busiest port facility in the world, handling approximately 5.1 million TEUs in 2009.
- Union Pacific (UP) and Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway (BNSF), Class I rail service providers, are part of the ONT freight movement system.
- The Class II Los Angeles Junction Railway Company, owned by BNSF, is mainly used to interline freight between the BNSF and UP.

PLANNED PROJECTS

- Runway and taxiway lighting projects as well as aircraft movement signage panel upgrades are planned over the next few years.
- Several highway projects along nearby Interstates 10, 15, and 210 were identified as needed within the 2011 California Transportation Commission (CTC) needs assessment.

OTHER AIRPORT FACTS

- In 2011, Airports Council International (ACI) ranked ONT as the 18th largest North American cargo airport with over 417,476 tons transported.
- UPS' international hub at ONT transported 278,375 tons in 2011.

CONSTRAINTS AND ISSUES

- As one of ten airports statewide determined to have noise concerns, noise management procedures exist at ONT for mitigation purposes.
- Heavy traffic throughout the Los Angeles area delays freight transportation.

CALTRANS FOCUS AREAS

- Implement ways to alleviate highway bottlenecks along truck routes.
- Improve pavement conditions due to truck damage.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PARTNERS

San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG), http://www.sanbag.ca.gov/planning/regional_goods mvmt.html

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